IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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RARE-EARTH DOPED PHOSPHATE-GLASS LASERS AND ASSOCIATED

METHODS

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the final Office Action mailed August 9, 2004, said period of response being extended from November 9, 2004 to February 9, 2005.

Our check in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully Submitted,

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